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This is a decision on the petition under 37CFR 1.137(b), filed March 1, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed May 27, 2003, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) was obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on August 28, 2003.

The above-identified application is being revived solely for purposes of continuity with a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) filed on March 1, 2004.

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The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 1761.


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